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ACTION

Everton v. Arsenal

1 Arsenal goalkeeper Jim Barron makes fine save from Peter Eastoe.

2 Jim Barron punches clear under pressure from Peter Eastoe.

3 Bob Latchford beats goalkeeper but his shot runs clear across the Arsenal goalmouth.

4 Willie Young and Bob Latchford chase after loose ball.

5 Jim Barron gets up high and beats Bob Latchford to high corner.

Pictures: Terry Mealey



Q & A

Today's questions are linked with the FA Cup semi-final at Villa Park next Saturday. First we go to John Bailey... How much has his football life changed in the space of 12 months?

● John replies: "It's marvellous to be within only 90 minutes of Wembley. This time last year I was playing for Blackburn Rovers and we had just gone to the bottom of the Second Division. We were eventually relegated and that was a terrible feeling.

"Coming to Everton has been great, even though our League position isn't what we wanted. I feel I've really settled down in the First Division and it's quite something for me to be the only ever-present in the team up until this week.

"The terms of my transfer were that Everton are to pay another £100,000 when I've completed 50 first-team games and if all goes well that will be due in a couple of weeks.

"Really everything has turned out well for everyone. We've had the good Cup run at Everton and I'm pleased to see Blackburn doing so well. They've got a good chance of winning promotion and it could be quite a double — Wembley for us and a Second Division place for them."

Next we move on to Bailey's full back partner, John Gidman... How does he view his return to Villa Park where he played his League football before joining Everton?

● John answers: "I was with Villa for nine years and left there only five months ago. I've already been back in a League game with Everton and it was nice to see a lot of my friends among the Villa supporters.

"As for the semi-final, I suppose there could be a bit of an advantage in playing on a ground I know so well. Certainly, I prefer going to Villa Park instead of Hillsborough.

"I just hope that the FA Cup works out as well for me as the League Cup did for Andy Gray. He got to Wembley and now I'm only one match away. It's been good for both of us since we left Villa, although anything that went on in the past is now forgotten.

"Perhaps Andy and myself have proved something in getting so far in the two cups, and it said enough for Andy when he scored the winning goal at Wembley."

Villa Park seems to be a popular venue for most Everton players — Birmingham-born Bob Latchford included. Also, how does manager Gordon Lee react to going back to the home of his former club?

● He says: "It couldn't be better. In 11 years at Villa Park I really got into the atmosphere of the place. To the spectators, it looks like many other large grounds — big stands and a smart appearance. Deep inside, though, you find reminders of the club's great tradition.

"They have an old Boardroom, with its oak panels and portraits of famous names from the past. There's real character about the place. And it would be nice to celebrate a semi-final victory there."

For two members of the first-team squad, the semi-final will mean a seat in the stand. John Barton and Mark Higgins are still recovering from long-term injuries... And how will "Brummie" John enjoy the occasion?

● He says: "I was always a Villa supporter and if I can't play myself, it's still good to be going there for a semi-final. But we must win this one — otherwise I'll be racing back to Merseyside to avoid my mates down there!

"When we lost in the League in January, I stayed in Birmingham for the week-end and they made my life hell. I couldn't face that again!"

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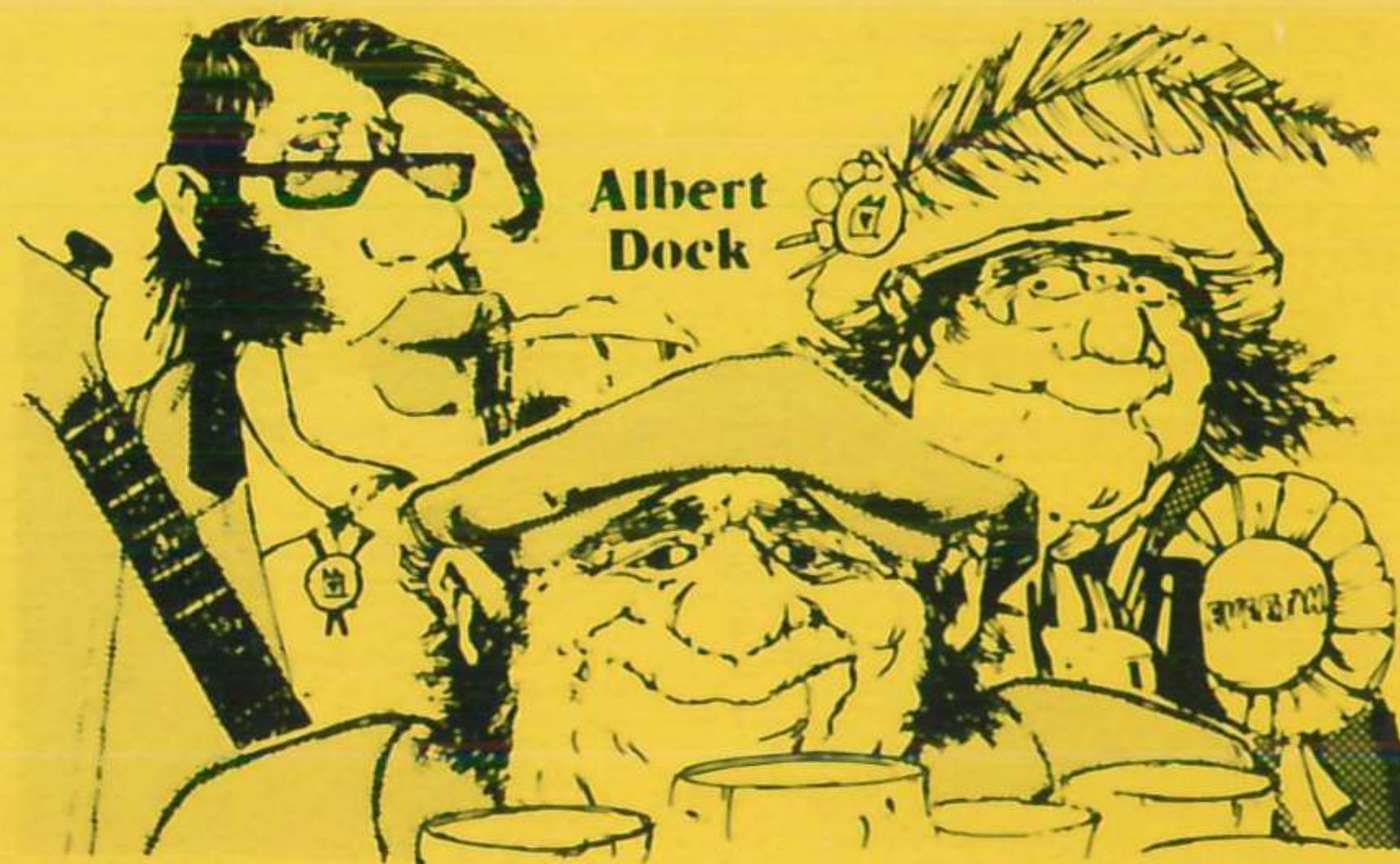
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Hopefully, the agreement between ourselves and Nottingham Forest to postpone the League match scheduled for the City Ground on Monday will give both clubs a better chance of winning a trophy this season.

Although the original request came from Forest — because they wanted to avoid playing Everton only 48 hours before their European Cup semi-final against Ajax — the change also suited us. It means we now have a clear week in which to prepare for the FA Cup semi-final against West Ham at Villa Park next Saturday.

Having explained something which is to the good of Everton and Forest, I can't help feeling sympathetic towards Arsenal. They tried for a similar postponement against Spurs on Monday but were turned down by their London neighbours.

As a result, Arsenal have an extremely difficult programme of four games in eight days — Southampton this afternoon, Spurs on Monday, Juventus in the Cup-winners' semi-final on Wednesday, and Liverpool in the FA Cup semi-final on Saturday.

A season of hard work could be spoiled by such pressure — and it doesn't seem very fair. While one can understand Spurs not wanting to lose a bumper home attendance on Easter Monday, it's rough luck on Arsenal.

In football, there must be some give and take. Managers and clubs have to appreciate each other's problems. That's what we tried to do when talking about a postponement with Forest.

Sometimes this game is too much like dog eating dog. But if managers won't talk about helping each other, how can we solve our problems?

Although the Easter Monday postponement fitted in with our plans, we have taken a risk. We could be playing Forest after the Cup Final — and still wanting a point to stay in the First Division.

I want to see Forest beating Ajax because that would only be good for



GORDON LEE

England — and Everton are part of that, sharing in the success which is reflected on to our league whenever one of our team wins a European competition.

In trying to make it easier for Forest, I also hope that we take advantage by going through to Wembley. The semi-final will be a very close game — perhaps decided by nerves or a mistake — but there is no reason why we can't beat West Ham.

Recent signs have been more encouraging. Maybe, we haven't got everything exactly as we would like, but we've played some good football and,

certainly, I felt we were unlucky to lose at Middlesbrough. However, because of earlier printing deadlines for Easter, I don't know the result at Maine Road at the time of writing.

Today's match against Bolton could be a good one. They have put together some good results recently, and although they will not have given up hope of staying in the First Division, they probably became more relaxed when it was felt that they would be going down.

Their new manager, Stan Anderson, has introduced some of his youngsters and, psychologically, it was perhaps a good move when he eased the pressure by talking about building for next season.

It's interesting to read that he believes in the ability of young players to win a regular place at 18 or 19. He brought in the youngsters in a situation where Bolton had little to lose. We have also called up some of our younger players — Megson, Hodge, McBride, Ratcliffe etc — but this was for other reasons. We weren't doing well, and we had injuries and loss of form.

This is always a difficult decision for managers. Do you stick by the seasoned campaigners, as Bobby Robson did when Ipswich were at the bottom of the table? Do you adjust by playing seniors out of position to justify the need for experience? Or do you put the youngsters in?

You can only do what you think is right, and then hope that the decision is correct.

Personally, though, I wonder how far a side can go with a large proportion of youngsters. There is always the old adage that you won't win anything with the kids. Well, as they say, the proof of the pudding is in the eating, and I would say that experience always goes with winning the League Championship.

However, it's also true that youngsters can only learn in the first team. Finding the correct blend between youth and experience is the problem — especially for the major clubs who are expected to challenge for the title each year.

GORDON LEE

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BOLTON WANDERERS

Stan Anderson was totally realistic when his appointment was confirmed as manager of Bolton Wanderers. "We need a miracle to stay up," he announced in an honest assessment of the 12-point margin dividing the Burnden Park club from the nearest safety position.

The extent of Bolton's crisis was not new to him. He had shared the disappointment of the season as the assistant to former boss Ian Greaves. Then he was installed as caretaker-manager for just over a month in which Bolton remained anchored to the foot of the table and went out of the FA Cup in a replay against Arsenal at Highbury.

He was eventually promoted to the top job in February 29th and, by then, Bolton were five points adrift at the bottom — after six months without a League win. Mr Anderson observed: "We need to win five or six games on the trot and what hope is there of that when we have won only one League game this season? It's time we thought to the future. We must think of next season and that means throwing in youngsters to see what they're like."

But there was still the faintest glimmer of hope. This emerged with a 1-0 victory over Nottingham Forest only 24 hours after Mr Anderson's appointment. Bolton also defeated Norwich and Tottenham, as well as sharing the points in a remarkable 4-4 draw at West Bromwich.

The tally amounted to seven points from the first six games under new management — and that was as many as Bolton had taken from their previous 22 matches. The situation was still grim, of course. Derby, having won at Burnden Park in March, and Bristol City stayed four points ahead, but the gap between Bolton and 19th place was reduced to eight points.

Mr Anderson still needed that "miracle", although he was more concerned with the importance of instilling confidence in preparation for next season — no matter whether Bolton are in the First or Second Division.

The youth policy is already under way. England Youth cap David Burke had a run in the left back position; Chris Thompson, a Youth international 12 months before Burke, took over at centre forward; 18-year-old Phil Wilson came into the midfield set-up; Mike Carter announced himself as a striker of promise by scoring three goals in two appearances against West Brom and Spurs; and Mike Graham, who made his debut as a teenager last term, got another chance as substitute.

Mr Anderson said: "It amuses me when people talk about a player of 18 as being just a kid. I can think of a heck of a lot of players who have been regular members of the side at that age."

"You never know how good they are until you play them, and that's what I am doing. I have got to find out how we stand for next year; whether the younger players are going to be good enough or whether we have got to make some new signings."

The challenge of leading Bolton's re-building operation appealed to Mr Anderson, although he admits that he had to think hard before agreeing to stay at Bolton following the departure of Ian Greaves. Previously, the ex-England wing half had managed Middlesbrough, AEK Athens and Doncaster Rovers. In between, he had a spell as assistant to Gordon Jago at QPR.

That was also his title on joining Bolton last season and, in taking over as the No.1, he maintained the club's continuity of management. Mr Greaves was also the assistant to Jimmy Armfield before stepping up to produce the side which won the Second Division title in 1978.

Examining the immediate future of Bolton, Mr Anderson outlined some of his thoughts in a *Manchester Evening News* feature by Paul Hince. "There is a good basis to build on," said the new manager. "There are a number of players on the staff who I consider genuine First Division quality."

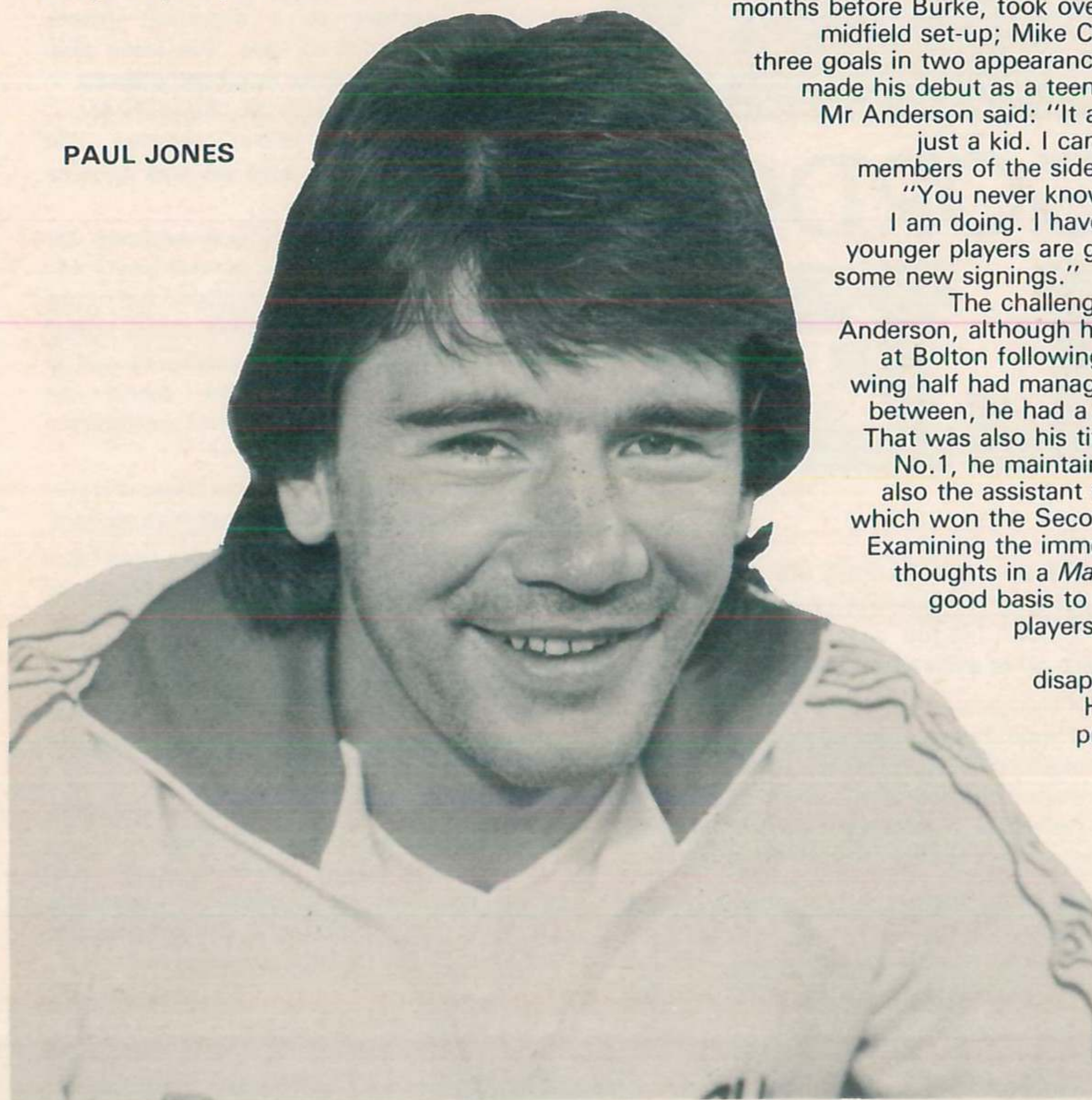
Clearly, it is odds on that we will go down, but I will be disappointed if we don't bounce right back up again."

He continued: "The main thing is to re-capture a bit of our pride and then, hopefully, show what we can really do next season. There is a lot of hard work for everybody. But I wouldn't have taken the job if I didn't think we could achieve something in the near future."

"This season has perhaps been one for our fans to forget. But in another 12 months I hope to see them smiling again."

Mr Anderson has a new Chief Coach in former Bolton and Manchester United left back Tony Dunne. He brings immense experience to his new role after playing in nearly 600 League games. Dunne left Burnden Park last season to enjoy a summer in America and he is among several players lost to Bolton since they won promotion.

PAUL JONES



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BOLTON WANDERERS 1979-80 Back Row (Left to Right) — Paul Jones, Chris Thompson, Peter Nicholson, Mike Walsh, Roy Greaves (now Seattle Sounders), Jim McDonagh, Terry Poole (now Sheffield Utd — loan), Alan Gowling, Sam Allardyce, Dave Clement, Mike Graham, Mike Carter.
Front Row — Neil McNab (now Brighton), Tadeusz Nowak, Dave Burke, Neil Whatmore, Peter Reid, Len Cantello, Willie Morgan.

Midfield man Ray Train departed for Watford last season; Frank Worthington moved on to Birmingham only a few months after finishing last term as the leading First Division scorer; former skipper Roy Greaves flew out to America to join Seattle Sounders last month; Ex-Scotland winger Willie Morgan is about to make a similar journey to link up with Minnesota Kicks; striker Alan Gowling went on the injured list soon after an emergency switch to centre half, and Scotsman Neil McNab, signed from Spurs last season, moved on to Brighton for a reported £230,000.

It is likely that others will follow. Len Cantello, unhappy since leaving West Brom for £350,000 last summer, is on the transfer list, while Dave Clement, the former England full back from QPR, will be allowed to leave if a suitable offer comes from a club in the south.

Question marks are also said to rest over the future of goalkeeper Jim McDonagh, centre back Sam Allardyce and former England Under-21 skipper Peter Reid. The latter has made an excellent recovery after his 12-month lay-off following a serious knee injury against Everton in January, 1979, but he wants to stay in First Division football.

The *Manchester Evening News* reported Mr Anderson as saying: "His contract will be up and we will not be able to hold him, although we will obviously offer him a new contract. Someone is going to get a very good player, but they will have to pay the price."

McDonagh's place in goal is already covered by a "beat the deadline" signing last month. While previous understudy Terry Poole went on loan

EVERTON v BOLTON — PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Bolton have failed to gain either a point or a goal from their last four League visits to Goodison Park. Since they won 2-1 here in 1960/61, subsequent results have gone 1-0, 1-0, 2-0 and 1-0 in our favour. Last season's clash was decided by a first-half goal from Mark Higgins.

Everton v Bolton games are traditionally close affairs and it has been rare for either side to break out for a big win. Our best win of the series was a 5-0 success at Burnden Park in 1890/91. The Trotters have twice beaten us by a similar score — in 1926/27 and 1929/30, both games at Burnden Park.

When we visited Bolton on Boxing Day this season we drew 1-1. Joe McBride scored for the Toffees with Mike Carter hitting Bolton's goal.

A summary of all League games between the sides:

	P	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Home	55	32	16	7	102	63	80
Away	56	24	9	23	85	87	57
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to Sheffield United, Bolton paid around £70,000 for Doncaster Rovers' Dennis Peacock. He started his career with Nottingham Forest and also had a loan spell with Walsall.

In recent weeks, Bolton's defence has been built around the experience of Clement and former Blackpool player Peter Nicholson at full-back, with Paul Jones, a member of the England squad not so long ago, and the talented Mancunian, Mike Walsh, in the middle.

Cantello was restored to a new-look midfield system featuring Reid and the promising youngster, Wilson. Polish international winger Tadeusz Nowak also got his chance as replacement for Morgan, while the teenagers, Thompson and Carter, disputed the No 9 shirt.

Neil Whatmore, after being overshadowed last season by Worthington and Gowling, is back to the consistent form which made him top marksman with 19 League goals in the promotion campaign. He scored his 13th goal of the current season against Spurs on March 22nd.

BOLTON RESULTS 1970-80 (As at 22/3/80): Villa (h) 1-1, Liverpool (a) 0-0, Southampton (h) 2-1, Southend (FLC, h) 1-2, Brighton (a) 1-3, Southend (FLC, a) 0-0, WBA (h) 0-0, Coventry (a) 1-3, Leeds (h) 1-1, Norwich (a) 1-2, Derby (a) 0-4, Liverpool (h) 1-1, Arsenal (h) 0-0, Forest (a) 2-5, Palace (h) 1-1, Villa (a) 1-3, Spurs (a) 0-2, Man City (h) 0-1, Stoke (a) 0-1, Bristol C (h) 1-1, Wolves (a) 1-3, Ipswich (h) 0-1, Middlesbrough (a) 1-3, Everton (h) 1-1, Southampton (a) 0-2, Sunderland (FAC, a) 1-0, Brighton (h) 0-2, Halifax (FAC, h) 2-0, Leeds (a) 2-2, Arsenal (FAC, h) 1-1, (a) 0-3; Arsenal (a) 0-2, Man Utd (a) 0-2, Forest (h) 1-0, Palace (a) 1-3, Norwich (h) 1-0, Derby (h) 1-2, WBA (a) 4-4, Spurs (h) 2-1.

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TALKING WITH PAUL LODGE

A crowd of 17,587 for Everton's recent trip to Middlesbrough did not rank with the big attendances enjoyed by the top clubs — but the atmosphere at Ayresome Park was special to Paul Lodge when he was named as substitute for the first time.

"The crowd was the most obvious difference from the Central League, where we're usually playing in front of empty terraces," said the 19-year-old midfielder player from Norris Green. "It must be a great lift to play before a really big crowd in the First Division.

"I was dying to get on the pitch at Middlesbrough. Just for a minute, I thought my chance was there when Mike Lyons went down. It seemed bad at first, but Mike was back on his feet very quickly. The trouble with being substitute is that you want to play and, at the same time, it means someone getting hurt. No-one wants that."

Paul's introduction to the First Division scene — albeit as a track-suited spectator — reflected the general progress made by some of Everton's youngsters this season. Kevin Ratcliffe made his debut in the previous away game at Old Trafford and Steve McMahon was 13th man on the visit to Middlesbrough.

"The season has worked out as well as I hoped at the start," explained Paul. "My ambition was to travel with the team a few times and maybe make the bench for a couple of games. I felt I would be happy to get that far this year, and then have a real go at winning a place next season."

Paul was first brought into the senior set-up for the home leg of the UEFA Cup-tie in October when he was one of the five substitutes. He also travelled to Southampton — and then came the news of his promotion at Middlesbrough. "I was told just as I was leaving the training ground on the Thursday," he says. "It was a nice surprise, but I know there is still a long way to go.

"I've got to keep playing well and putting everything into my game. The competition for midfield places here is

strong even for senior players. This makes it harder for young players like myself and maybe I was a little bit downhearted when the club made a few buys this season.

"But everyone expects Everton to go after the best players and it's up to me to show I'm worth a chance. If the Boss wants me to play anywhere — in midfield, at right back or centre back — I'd love to have a go."

Paul's path to Goodison Park was plotted when he had to choose between Everton and Liverpool . . . and turned down the team he supported as a schoolboy. "I used to stand on the Kop at Anfield," he says. "I always wanted to be a footballer, but when it came to making a decision, I picked Everton. The facilities at Bellefield are far superior to Melwood and I felt there was a better chance of making the grade here.

"I got the impression that Liverpool thought I would sign automatically for them because I was a supporter at Anfield. I still like Liverpool as a team, but when I play in derby matches for the reserve and junior teams, I am really against them. It isn't hate — just a feeling that we have to beat them."

Paul, who attended St Teresa's Secondary Modern School in Norris Green, enjoyed a very successful season in 1975-76 and it was then that he signed Associated Schoolboy forms for Everton.

He was a member of the Liverpool Boys team which won the English Schools Trophy and also reached the England squad. "But I didn't win a cap and I was bitterly disappointed about that," he says. "I was in the 16 for a match against France at Wembley, substitute against Scotland at Celtic Park, and in the party which went to West Germany.

"The game in Berlin was watched by 90,000 spectators in the Olympic Stadium. I was sad about missing that one. And not getting a cap after reaching the squad was probably worse than missing out altogether. But it was a

tremendous season for me and I shall always remember the help I got from Jack Hagen, the manager of the Liverpool Boys team."

As a midfielder player, Paul admired Ian Callaghan — "*Busy and brilliant*" — and of today's top men in this department, Paul has a high regard for Graeme Souness. "He's the anchor man, always sitting there while the others are breaking forward. I have always rated Andy King as well. Not many midfielder players can match his scoring record.

"Myself, I'm more of a defensive midfielder man. I don't get many goals, although I'd like to score more, and I'm happy if asked to mark a particular opponent."

In fact, Paul's defensive qualities were used last season in the back four for the reserves and the youth team. "It happened by accident," he says. "One of the amateurs pulled out of a Youth Cup match because of his work, and I was switched to play as sweeper, possibly because I was one of the more experienced players in the team.

"I stayed in that position until we went out of the Cup in the semi-final, and I played there in the reserves up until last Christmas. I got used to the job and quite enjoyed it, but I must admit to being happier when I went back into midfield about three months ago."

Paul still lives at home in Norris Green with his parents and two brothers and two sisters. Elder brother Robert was once with Liverpool as an amateur and, in fact, he played for The Reds when they beat Everton in the FA Youth Cup three years ago.

"He's working as a plasterer now," says Paul. "And that's a job I could have taken after leaving school — either that or bricklaying. But it just had to be football when the chance came along."

For relaxation, Paul enjoys a game of Table Tennis or Snooker.

REPLAY ARRANGEMENTS F.A. CUP SEMI-FINAL

EVERTON v. WEST HAM UNITED AT VILLA PARK

SATURDAY, 12 APRIL, 1980

In the event of the above match ending in a draw the replay will take place on Wednesday, April 16, kick-off 7.45 p.m. at Villa Park, provided that the other semi-final Liverpool v. Arsenal does not also end in a draw. If both semi-finals end in a draw the Liverpool v. Arsenal replay will be at Villa Park and Everton v. West Ham United will be played at Elland Road, Leeds.

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Supporters are asked to help Police avoid serious traffic hold-ups particularly with regard to parking. Everton supporters using the M6 should leave the motorway at junction 7 (as requested in the road route in the previous column).

The map indicates parking areas. Cars should go to Wellhead Lane at the rear of Birmingham Polytechnic North. Coaches should continue on along Aston Lane and park in the area reserved just before Witton Square.

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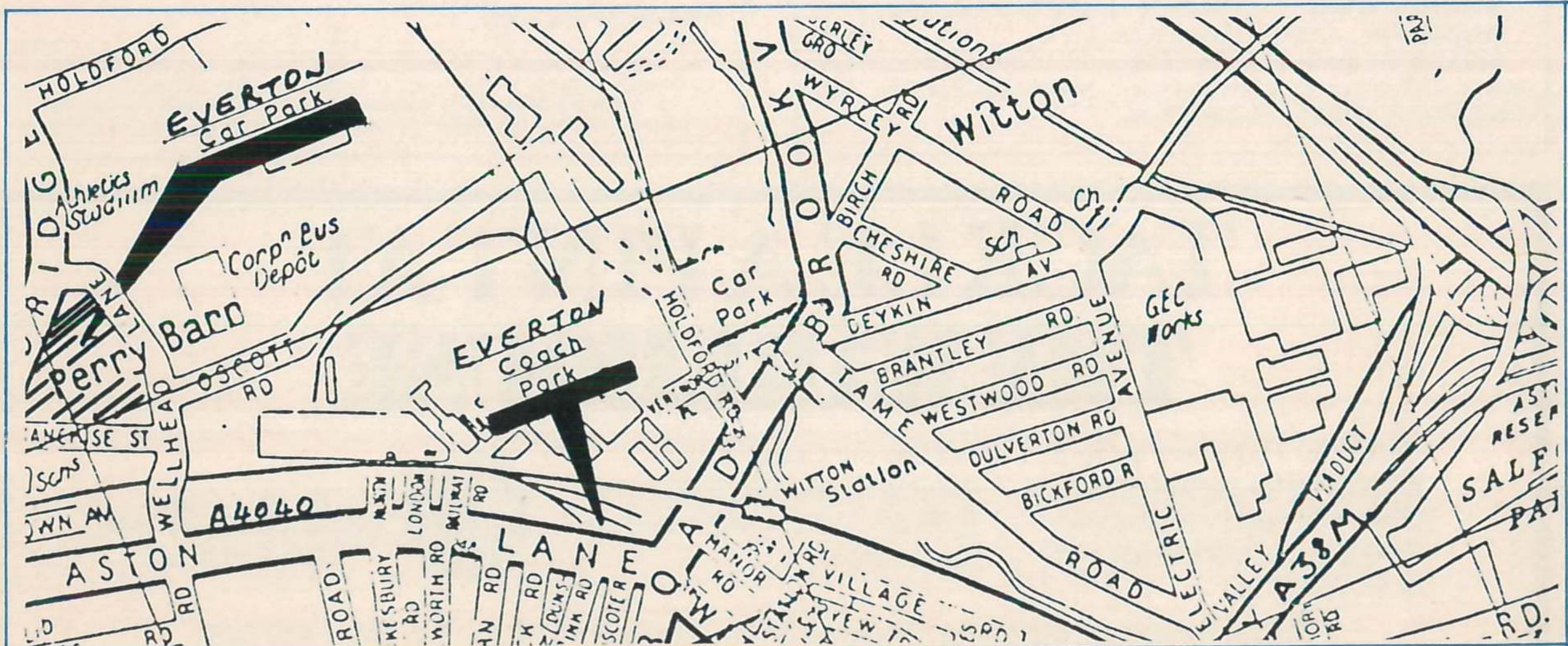
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The Michael Murray Memorial Cup Final — Liverpool Boys v Nottingham Boys — will be on Monday, April 21st (7.30pm) at Anfield.

RESERVE FIXTURE

The Central League Fixture against Blackpool will be played at Goodison Park next Tuesday, April 8th (7.00pm).



TERRACE TALK

QUIZ SPOT

The winner of Quiz Spot No 22 (v Arsenal) will be announced in our next programme. The answer: Real Madrid and Inter-Milan won the European Cup in finals played on their home ground.

Here is today's question:

Which ground holds the record for the highest-ever attendance for a Football League match?

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"Here's hoping I see a repeat performance at Villa Park on April 12th, and eventually the Cup coming again to Goodison."

AWAY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

RAC Route to Tottenham, Saturday, 19th April . . . A5047 (Edge Lane) or Queen's Drive to M62 junction at Broadgreen. M62 to Croft junction M6. M6 south and via M6/M1 Midlands Link and M1 south to intersection 2, Five Ways Corner, Hendon, North London, junction A1/A41. A1 (follow 'City' signs) for 2 miles to A406 North Circular Road. A406 (left) for 7 miles to Edmonton, junction A1010. A1010 (right) for 1 mile to Tottenham.

Wirral supporters' route . . . M53/A41/A5117 to Hapsford junction M56. M56 to High Legh junction M6, and then follow route as above.

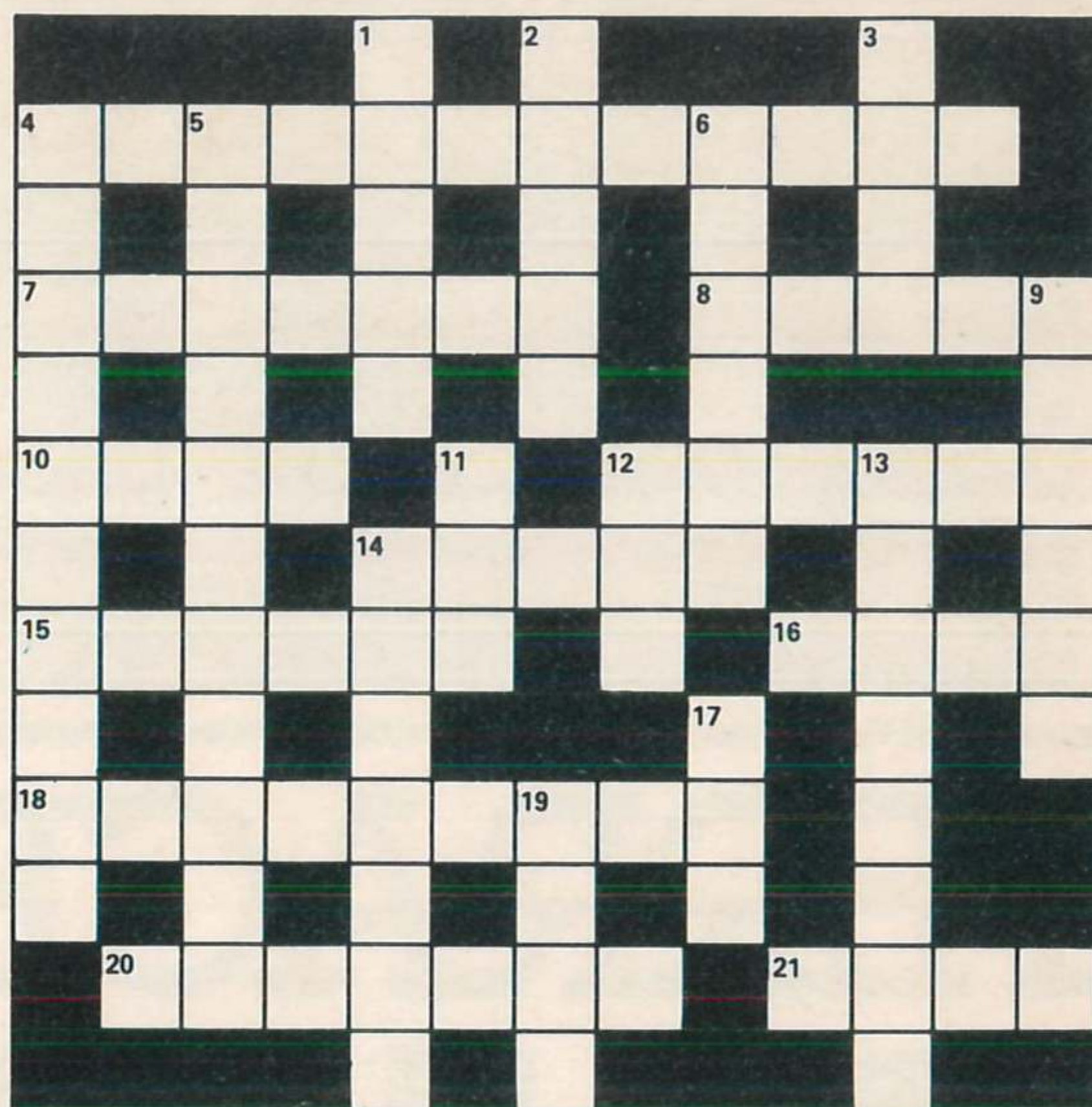
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SOCCER CROSSWORD

Compiled by L. Jameson, of Aigburth.

CLUES ACROSS:

4. Newcastle's Irish international midfield player (5,7).
7. Chester defender — Mark (7).
8. Tranmere striker (5).
10. Speedy players have this (4).
12. Steve — former Palace midfield man, now in USA (6).
14. Manchester City skipper (6).
15. Ex-Leeds and England full back (6).
16. Leeds defender (4).
18. Beaten in 1960 European Cup Final (9).
20. Eric — Rochdale defender (7).
21. Christian name of 14,15, and 16 Across (4).

CLUES DOWN:

1. Birmingham striker (5).
2. Mickey or Ian (5).
3. and 13. Ex-Burnley goalkeeper (4,8).
4. Blackburn midfield player (4,6).
5. Has scored more than 200 goals for a First Division club (4,7).
6. Claudio — striker for Grasshoppers Zurich (6).
9. Spurs midfield international (6).
11. Of the Rovers? (3).
12. First name of ex-Everton defender (3).
13. See 3 Down.
14. West Ham striker — ex-Manchester United (7).
17. Short first name of Houston or Pearson (3).
19. Liverpool 'keeper's nickname (4).

CROSSWORD SOLUTION:

ACROSS: 4. Tommy Cassidy, 7. Nicklas, 8. Lumby, 10. Pace, 12. Kember, 14. Power, 15. Reaney, 16. Hart, 18. Eintracht, 20. Snookes, 21. Paul.
DOWN: 1. Lynex, 2. Walsh, 3. Adam, 4. Tony Parkes, 5. Mick Channon, 6. Sulser, 9. Yorath, 11. Roy, 12. Ken, 13. Blacklaw, 14. Pearson, 17. Stu, 19. Clem.

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There's nothing like the FA Cup to bring a city and its football clubs to life. Merseyside will talk about nothing else next week — and thousands of words will be written in the newspapers before we step out at Villa Park next Saturday.

It will be nice to take our share of the limelight at a time in the season when most of the other clubs have little to play for. But while we're wrapped up in the excitement — and the hard work that goes into our preparation — I will certainly spare a thought for the fans who can't get a ticket.

I've had so many letters from disappointed supporters. One was from a mother who told me her son was heartbroken after following us home and away. She wasn't asking for a ticket — just explaining her lad's plight.

It was much the same with some of the supporters who followed us to Middlesbrough. About 200 were at Ayresome Park and they are the real hard core who never miss a match. But they will not all get a ticket for Villa Park.

Obviously, it pays to buy a season ticket but not everyone can afford to put out the cash in a lump sum during the summer. If they can't do that, then there's no guarantee of a ticket, and it seems sad when the only matches they have to miss are the important ones.

I know there will never be a perfect system and it's at times like this that we should also acknowledge the headache for our Secretary, Jim Greenwood, and his staff. They inevitably come in for criticism but I can assure the disappointed fans that the distribution is completely fair.

It's not their fault that the competing clubs never get enough tickets for semi-finals and finals. And even if they did, someone would still be unlucky. If the fans have any ideas, I would be pleased to pass them on to Jim Greenwood.

One of my own is that the two clubs should get almost all of the semi-final tickets. It seems wrong that thousands of Aston Villa supporters should be watching our game next Saturday. They'll be there purely as spectators and will not be concerned by the result.

From my own experience as a lad supporting Everton, I know what it's like to be without a ticket. I managed to get into the semi-finals in 1966 and 1968, but I didn't have a ticket for Wembley.

When we went to Villa Park in 1969, I was playing as an amateur in the 'B' team and I remember feeling down in the

dumps when hearing that Manchester City had won. It must be the worst feeling in football to lose in a semi-final. I sampled that in 1977 and it would be hard to take if we lost to West Ham next week.

At least if you get to the Final the fans have a day out at Wembley and it's something to have taken part in the occasion — even as the losers.

Until now, we haven't thought too much about meeting West Ham because we've had so many League games. However, the Cup has always been at the back of our minds and I know a lot of the lads think it's the best chance they've ever had of getting to the Final.

But we haven't fully devoted ourselves to the Cup. That will start from about quarter to five this evening. Once we have played today's match — and hopefully we'll have two points — then we will have a clear week to get ourselves into the right frame of mind.

There is no room for complacency because we are playing a Second Division side, and our attitude will be very important. Victory could mean so much to the club because there's a fair chance that we would be in Europe next season.

If Liverpool get through as well, and also win the League as everyone is expecting, then a place at Wembley would be our passport to Europe. Also, it would mean another Merseyside match in the FA Charity Shield next August.

Even so, I would hate to have to rely on Liverpool. We must be positive and believe that we can do it for ourselves. All we are bothered about for now is getting there, and any other hopes can take care of themselves later on.

After being an Evertonian all my life, I will appreciate the semi-final both as a player and as a supporter. Sometimes, though, I think my long involvement with the club goes against me.

Victories and defeats probably affect me more than some of the lads who have played for other clubs. As professionals, they want to win and they are disappointed if we lose. But I am more down or more up — whatever way the result — because I'm a fan as well.

Week-ends can be really miserable after a defeat. But we're not thinking about that for next Saturday, and here's hoping that we'll have something exciting to talk about in my next column. Let's all have a good day at Villa Park!

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EVERTON STATISTICS 79/80

Everton' score first Player's name in bold — scorer Superior figure — number of goals scored																			
1979	Aug	18	Norwich City	26,539	2-4	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Wright	Ross ¹	Nulty ¹	Todd	King	9	10	11	12	
		22	Leeds United	27,783	0-2	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Todd	King	King	Kidd	Wright	Eastoe	
		25	Derby County	17,817	1-0	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Todd	King ¹	King	Kidd	Wright	Stanley	
		28	Cardiff (FLC 2)	18,061	2-0	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Stanley	King	King	Kidd ²	Wright	Eastoe	
	Sept	1	Aston Villa	29,271	1-1	Wood	Wright	Bailey ¹	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	King	King	Kidd	Eastoe	Nulty	
		5	Cardiff (FLC 2)	9,698	0-1	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	King	King	Kidd	Eastoe	Nulty	
		8	Stoke City	23,460	3-2	Wood	Wright	Bailey ¹	Lyons	Higgins	Ross ¹	Hartford	Stanley	King ¹	King	Kidd ¹	Eastoe	Varadi	
		15	Wolves	31,807	2-3	Wood	Wright	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	King	King	Kidd ¹	Eastoe	Barton	
		19	Feyenoord (UEFA 1)	37,000	0-1	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	King	King	Kidd ¹	Eastoe	Telfer/Varadi	
		22	Ipswich Town	19,251	1-1	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	King	King	Kidd ¹	Eastoe	Stanley	
		25	Aston Villa (FLC 3)	22,635	0-0	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Hartford	King	King	Kidd	Eastoe	Stanley	
		29	Bristol City	24,733	0-0	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Nulty	Hartford	Stanley	King	King	Kidd	Eastoe	Wright	
	Oct	3	Feyenoord (UEFA 1)	28,203	0-1	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Nulty	McBride	Wright	King	King	Kidd	Eastoe	L'ford/Varadi	
		6	Coventry City	17,250	1-2	Wood	Barton	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Nulty	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd	King ¹	Varadi	
		9	Aston V. (FLC 3R)	22,088	4-1	Wood	Wright	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Nulty	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford ²	Kidd ¹	King ¹	McBride	
		13	Crystal Palace	30,643	3-1	Wood	Wright	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford ¹	Kidd ¹	King ¹	Nulty	
		20	Liverpool	52,201	2-2	Wood	Wright	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd ¹	King ¹	O'Keefe	
		27	Manchester Utd	37,708	0-0	Wood	Gidman	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	Eastoe	McBride	
		30	Grimsby (FLC 4)	22,043	1-2	Wood	Wright	Bailey	Lyons	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd ¹	Eastoe	O'Keefe	
	Nov	3	Norwich City	18,349	0-0	Wood	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Stanley	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Eastoe	
		10	Middlesbrough	25,155	0-2	Wood	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Stanley	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		13	Leeds United	23,319	+5-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		17	Arsenal	33,637	0-2	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd ³	King	Lyons	
		24	Tottenham	31,071	1-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		1	West Brom. Alb.	21,294	1-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		8	Brighton & H.A.	23,534	2-0	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Hartford	Stanley	Wright	Latchford	Kidd	King ¹	Eastoe	
		15	S'hampton	19,850	0-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		22	Manchester C.	26,308	1-2	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		26	Bolton W.	18,220	1-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		29	Derby County	22,559	1-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		1	Nottm. Forest	34,616	1-0	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		5	Aldershot (FAC 3)	23,700	4-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		12	Aston Villa	31,108	1-2	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		26	Wigan (FAC 4)	51,863	3-0	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		2	Wolverhampton	21,663	0-0	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		9	Ipswich Town	31,218	0-4	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		16	Wrexham (FAC 5)	44,830	5-2	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		19	Bristol City	15,119	1-2	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Higgins	Ross	Nulty	Wright	Stanley	Latchford	Kidd	King	Lyons	
		23	Crystal Palace	22,857	1-1	Hodge	Wright	Bailey	Nulty	Lyons	Ross	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	Ratcliffe	
		1	Liverpool	53,013	1-2	Wood	Gidman	Bailey	Nulty	Lyons	Ross	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	Eastoe ¹	
		8	Ipswich (FAC 6)	45,104	2-1	Wood	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	O'Keefe	
		12	Man. Utd.	45,515	0-0	Hodge	Wright	Bailey	Ratcliffe	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	O'Keefe	
		15	Coventry City	25,966	1-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe ¹	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	Ross	
		18	Stoke City	23,848	2-0	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe ¹	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	Ross	
		22	Middlesbrough	17,587	1-2	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	Lodge	
		28	Arsenal	28,185	0-1	Hodge	Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	Ross	
	April	2	Manchester C.				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
		5	Bolton W.				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
		12	West Ham (FAC s-f)				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
		15	W.B. Albion				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
		19	Tottenham				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
		26	Southampton				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
	May	3	Brighton & H.A.				Gidman	Bailey	Wright	Lyons	Eastoe	Megson	Wright	King	Kidd	McBride	McBride		
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FIRST DIVISION TABLE 1979/80

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	34	12	5	0	37	6	9	3	5	32	19	50
Man. United	34	13	3	1	33	4	5	7	5	17	22	46
Ipswich Town	35	11	4	3	35	11	6	4	7	21	24	42
Arsenal	33	8	7	3	22	10	7	5	3	21	14	42
Southampton	35	12	2	3	44	17	3	6	9	9	25	38
Wolves	32	7	6	3	20	12	9	0	7	24	22	38
Middlesbrough	33	9	6	2	24	12	5	4	7	14	17	38
Aston Villa	35	9	5	5	25	20	4	7	5	17	20	38
Nott'm Forest	33	11	4	1	34	11	4	2	11	16	26	36
Crystal Palace	35	8	7	3	24	12	3	7	7	13	26	36
WBA	35	8	6	3	34	22	2	8	8	16	26	34
Tottenham H.	34	10	3	3	24	16	3	5	10	19	34	34
Leeds United	35	7	6	4	23	17	3	7	8	15	27	33
Coventry	34	10	2	5	29	19	3	4	10	18	35	32
Norwich	35	7	8	2	30	24	2	6	10	15	28	32
Stoke City	34	8	3	6	25	22	3	6	8	15	26	31
Brighton	35	6	7	4	20	18	3	6	9	21	32	31
Everton	35	5	6	7	23	24	2	8	7	14	21	28
Man. City	35	6	6	5	21	21	3	4	11	12	37	28
Derby County	35	6	4	8	28	28	2	4	11	8	28	24
Bristol City	34	4	5	8	15	25	2	6	9	11	28	23
Bolton W.	34	4	8	4	13	14	0	4	14	17	46	20

(Up to and including Saturday, 29th March)

HALF TIME SCORES

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K	L	M	N
Arsenal v Southampton	Aston Villa v Nottm Forest	Bristol C. v WB Albion	C. Palace v Brighton	Derby v Leeds	Ipswich v Norwich	Manchester Utd v Liverpool	Middlesbrough v Coventry	Stoke v Manchester C.	Wolves v Tottenham	Burnley v Shrewsbury	Leicester v Chelsea	Luton v Watford
O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	
Notts Co. v Charlton	Oldham v Cambridge	Preston v Wrexham	QPR v Birmingham	Sunderland v Newcastle	Swansea v Bristol Rov.	West Ham v Orient	Barnsley v Grimsby	Chester v Brentford	Sheff Utd v Sheff Wed	Tranmere v Crewe	Wigan v Peterborough	

CENTRAL LEAGUE 1979-80

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	35	18	11	6	79	38	47
Coventry	35	19	8	8	81	50	46
Nottm Forest	34	18	9	7	59	35	45
WB Albion	37	16	13	8	66	45	45
Aston Villa	36	16	12	8	56	39	44
Man. Utd.	34	16	11	7	57	36	43
Everton	33	15	8	10	51	36	38
Derby	37	12	14	11	52	51	38
Burnley	35	15	8	12	39	42	38
Wolves	30	16	5	9	60	35	37
Man. City	36	13	11	12	52	48	37
Sheff. Wed.	32	14	6	12	58	51	34
Huddersfield	35	10	9	16	45	57	29
Stoke	32	8	12	12	36	40	28
Blackpool	33	9	10	14	48	59	28
Newcastle	34	10	8	16	31	47	28
Bury	32	11	6	15	42	65	28
Preston	35	8	11	16	35	56	27
Blackburn	36	10	7	19	50	77	27
Leeds	33	9	6	18	41	60	24
Bolton	33	7	8	18	40	62	22
Sheff. Utd.	35	5	9	21	40	89	19

(Up to and including Saturday, 29th March)

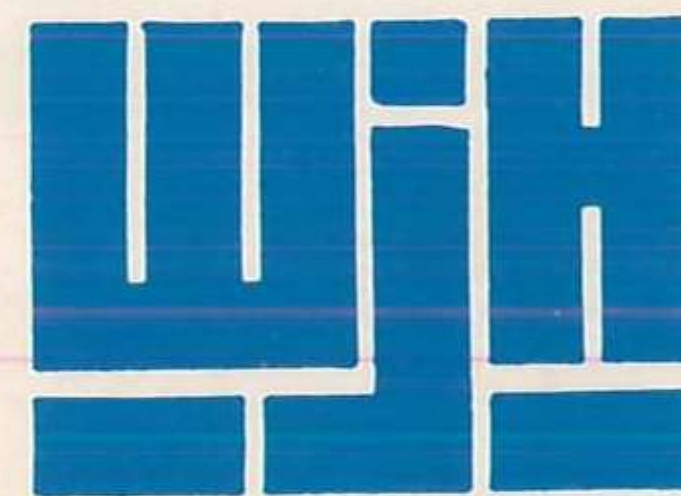
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